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Acquisition of lands

MR. SPEAKER : As the hon. Member Sri D. S. Authimoolam, who gave notice of question No. 260 is not in his seat, the question and answer will be printed in the proceedings.

* 260 *Q*.—SRI D. S. AUTHIMOOLAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether certain residents of Ayan Singampatti, Zamin Singampatti, Zamin Kilmugam and Kallidaikurichi villages whose lands have been acquired for the Manimuthar Project have given any representation to the Sub-Collector, Shermadevi, during the recent jamabandi in 1960 requesting for consideration of their claims for a higher rate of compensation as they could not go to Courts for redress; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Medical Colleges

* 262 *Q*.—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to increase the number of seats in the Government Medical Colleges during this year; and

(*b*) if so, whether the teaching staff and the accommodation facilities have been increased accordingly?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (*a*) The number of seats in the various Medical Colleges have been increased as given below :—

(1) Madras Medical College, Madras ...	From 135 to 150
(2) Stanley Medical College, Madras ...	From 110 to 125
(3) Madurai Medical College ... ... (4) Thanjavur Medical College at Madurai	From 175 to 200

(*b*) Yes.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Is it a fact that there is still a scarcity of teaching staff? If so, what are the steps taken to attract good and experienced teaching staff?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : No, for practical purposes we are able to man these colleges with sufficient teaching staff to cope up with the work.